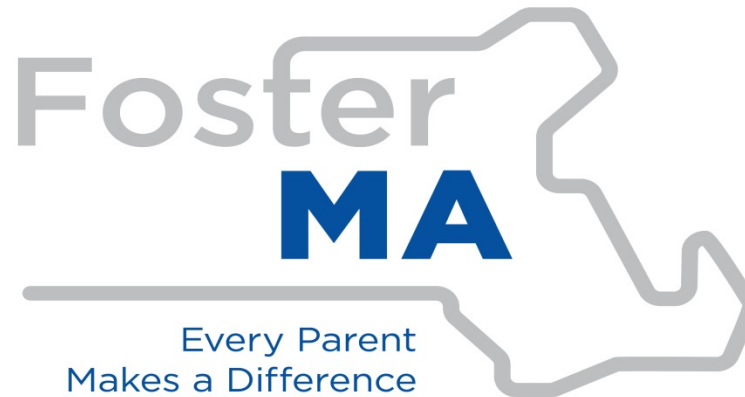


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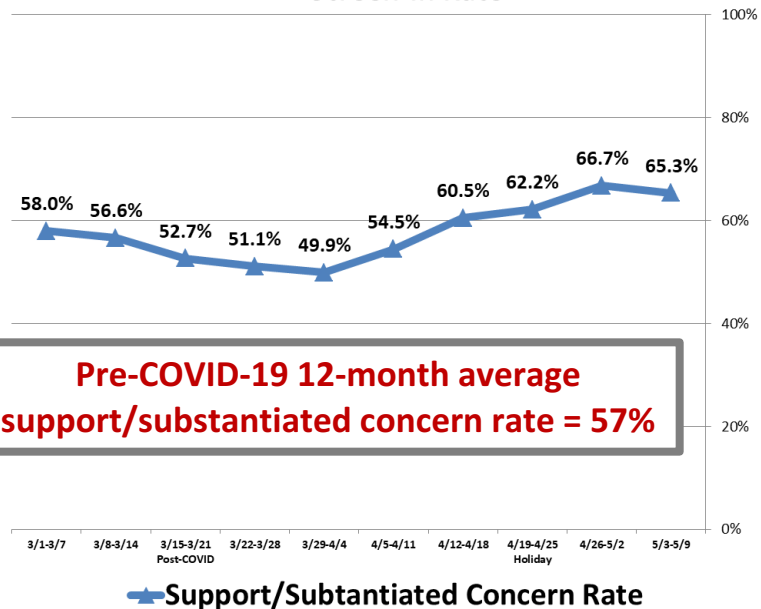
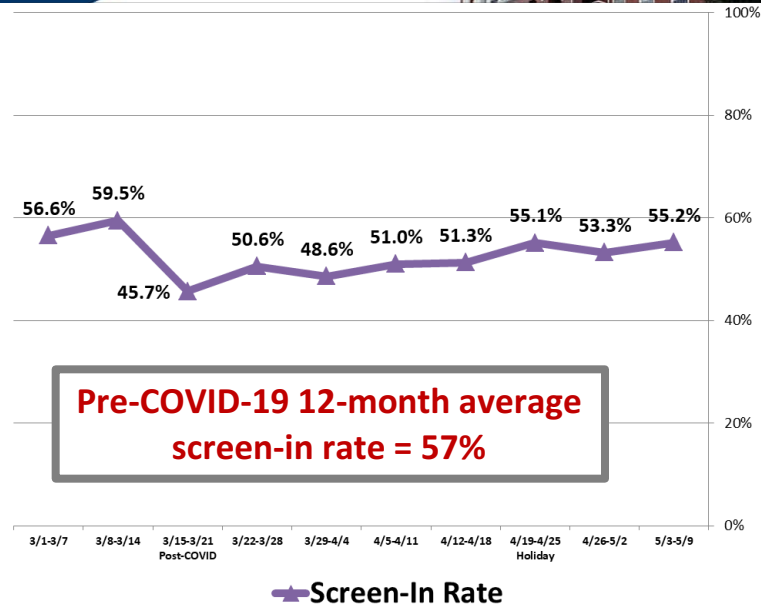
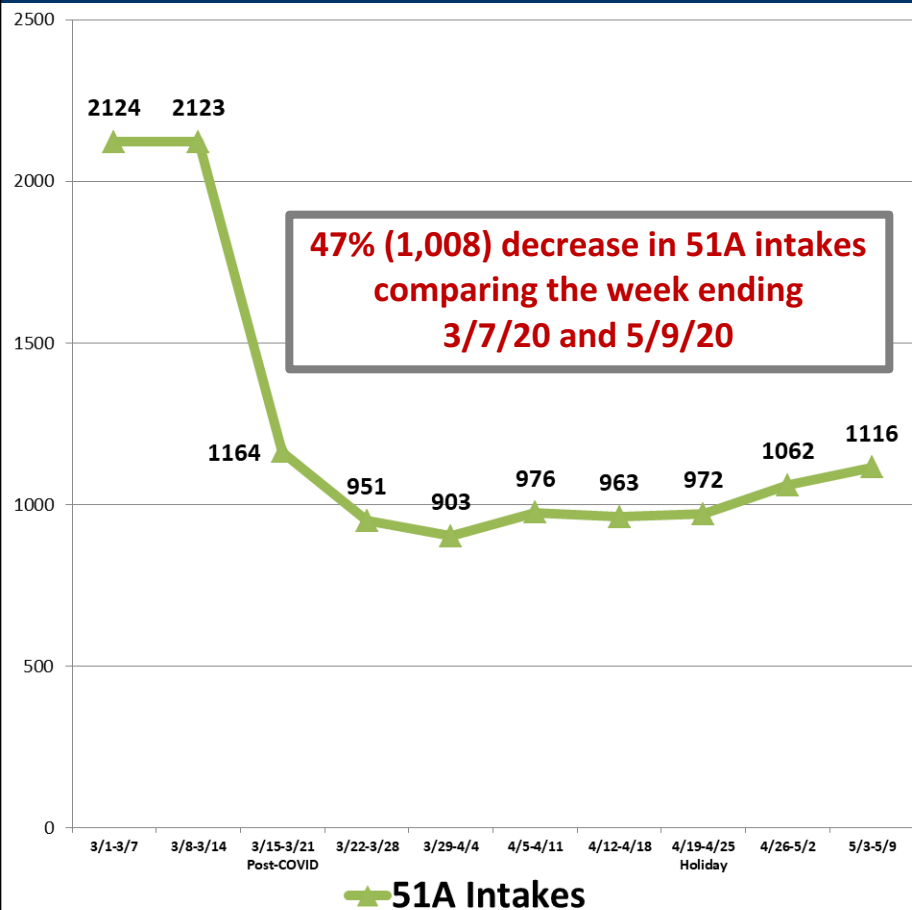


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51A Intakes Pre vs Post COVID-19 03/01/2020 to 05/09/2020



Pre-COVID-19 12-month average screen-in rate = 57%

Pre-COVID-19 12-month average support/substantiated concern rate = 57%



Mandated Reporters CY2020 to CY2019

Pre vs Post COVID-19



Report Source & Type for 51As & Inst. Abuse - 3/15 to 5/2/2020

	3/15 to 3/21/20	3/22 to 3/28/20	3/29 to 4/4/20	4/5 to 4/11/20	4/12 to 4/18/20	4/19 to 4/25/19 Holiday Week	4/26 to 5/2/20	Grand Total
Anonymous	64	91	83	95	94	93	87	607
Mandated Reporter	788	735	737	730	790	750	850	5,380
Non-Mandated	113	109	103	114	112	114	112	777
Grand Total	965	935	923	939	996	957	1,049	6,764

Difference between CY19 & CY20

(306)	-34%
(6,411)	-54%
(238)	-23%
(6,955)	-51%

Report Source & Type for 51As & Inst. Abuse - 3/17 to 5/4/2019

3/17 to 3/23/19	3/24 to 3/30/19	3/31 to 4/6/19	4/7 to 4/13/19	4/14 to 4/20/19 School Vac Wk	4/21 to 4/27/19	4/28 to 5/4/19	Grand Total
148	143	108	136	105	139	134	913
1,914	1,886	1,857	1,775	940	1,693	1,726	11,791
165	157	132	165	95	153	148	1,015
2,227	2,186	2,097	2,076	1,140	1,985	2,008	13,719

School Personnel	30	37	58	43	80	57	79	384
Public Safety Personnel	367	321	300	290	303	289	324	2,194
Private Social Service Agency/Practitioner	105	93	90	116	134	121	120	779
Hospital Personnel	134	134	123	113	120	126	130	880
Parent/Family Member	86	91	91	110	90	94	77	639
Medical Personnel	55	42	45	35	42	48	52	319
Child Care Personnel	4	2	3	3	-	2	6	20
OTHER - Mandated Reporter	105	127	123	122	127	129	140	873
OTHER - Non-Mandated Reporter	79	88	90	107	100	91	121	676
Grand Total	965	935	923	939	996	957	1,049	6,764

(3,418)	-90%
(686)	-24%
(514)	-40%
(457)	-34%
(275)	-30%
(238)	-43%
(159)	-89%
(442)	-34%
(766)	-53%
(6,955)	-51%

672	686	657	619	27	538	603	3,802
417	442	431	413	364	423	390	2,880
212	181	190	199	127	202	182	1,293
212	187	218	202	152	176	190	1,337
143	147	119	150	84	138	133	914
82	81	96	59	73	89	77	557
27	31	25	29	14	23	30	179
223	207	159	200	148	190	188	1,315
239	224	202	205	151	206	215	1,442
2,227	2,186	2,097	2,076	1,140	1,985	2,008	13,719

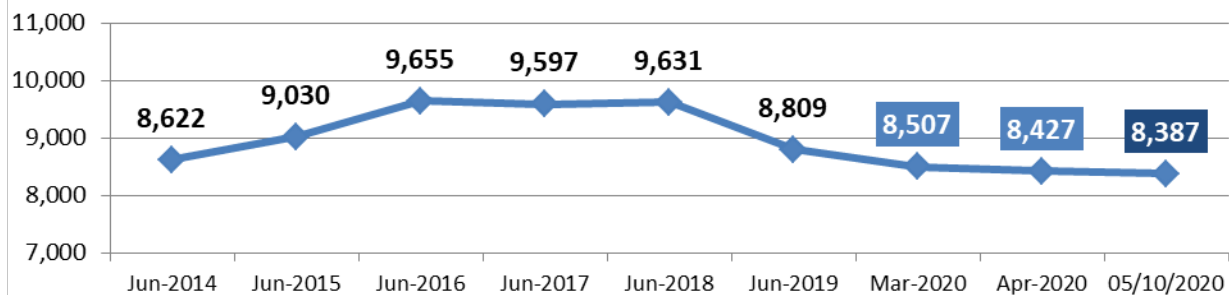


Children (0-17) in DCF Placement

All Placement Types



Children (0-17) in Placement



- The number of children in DCF placement at year-end decreased by 9% (-822) from FY18-19.
- FY20 (YTD) reflects a 5% (-422) decrease relative to FY19.

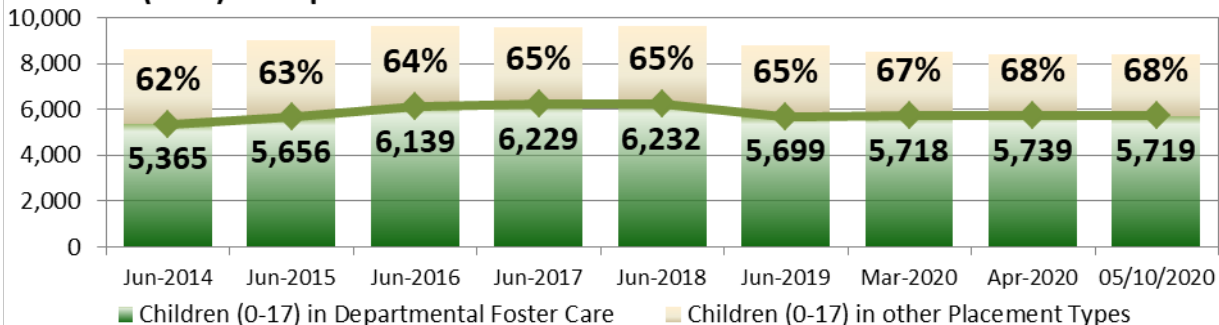


Children in DCF Placement

Departmental FC: Non-Kinship and Kin/Child Specific

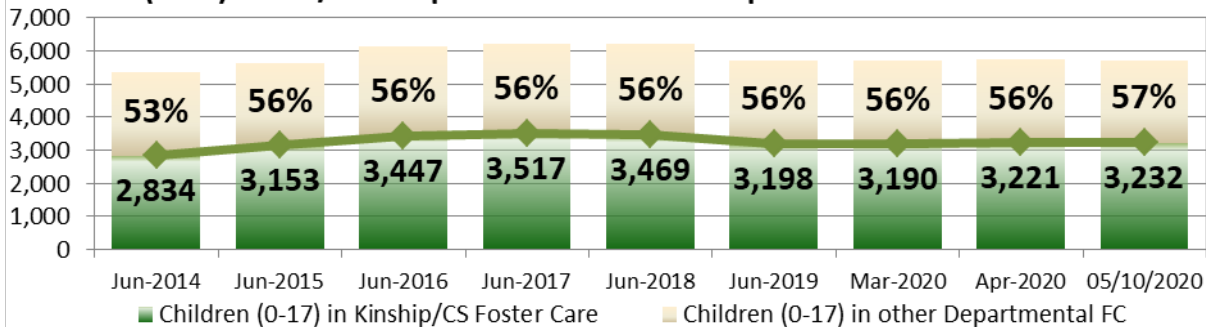


Children (0-17) in Departmental FC as a % of All Placements



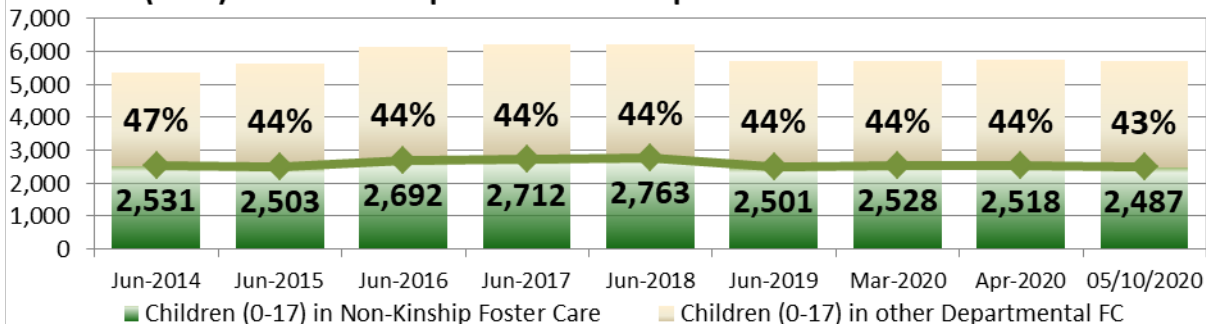
- As of 05/10/2020, there were 5,719 children placed in a family setting (i.e., Departmental Foster Care).
- While the overall number of children in DCF placement has decreased, the proportion placed in Departmental Foster Care (DFC) has increased to 68%.

Children (0-17) in Kin/Child Specific FC as a % of Departmental FC



- As of 05/10/2020, there were 3,232 children placed in a Kinship/Child Specific DFC family setting.
- Recognizing that children/youth experience fewer placement disruptions and achieve greater well-being when placed with kin, the Department has increased the proportion of children placed with kin to 57% of all DFC.

Children (0-17) in Non-Kinship FC as a % of Departmental FC



- As of 05/10/2020, there were 2,487 children placed in a Non-Kinship DFC family setting.
- As a proportion of children placed in DFC, 43% are living in a non-kin family setting.

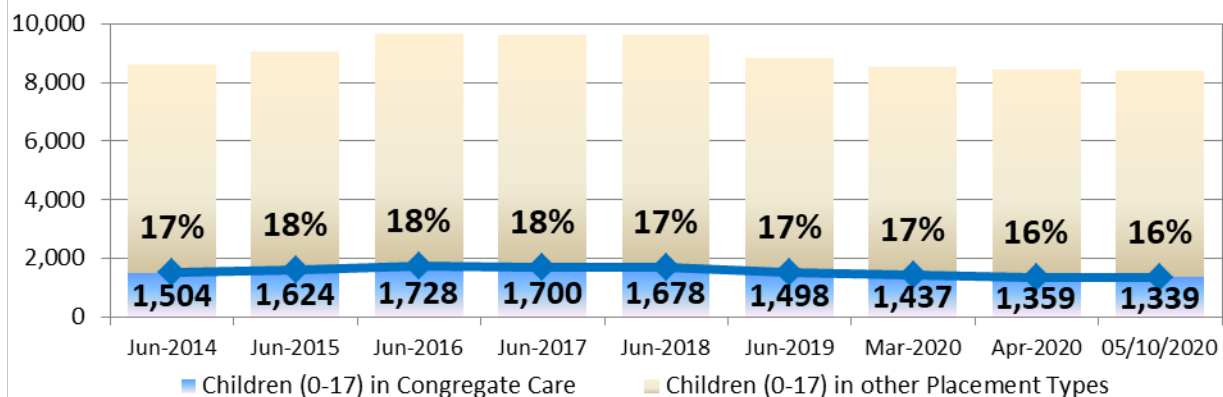


Children in DCF Placement

Congregate Care and Comprehensive Foster Care

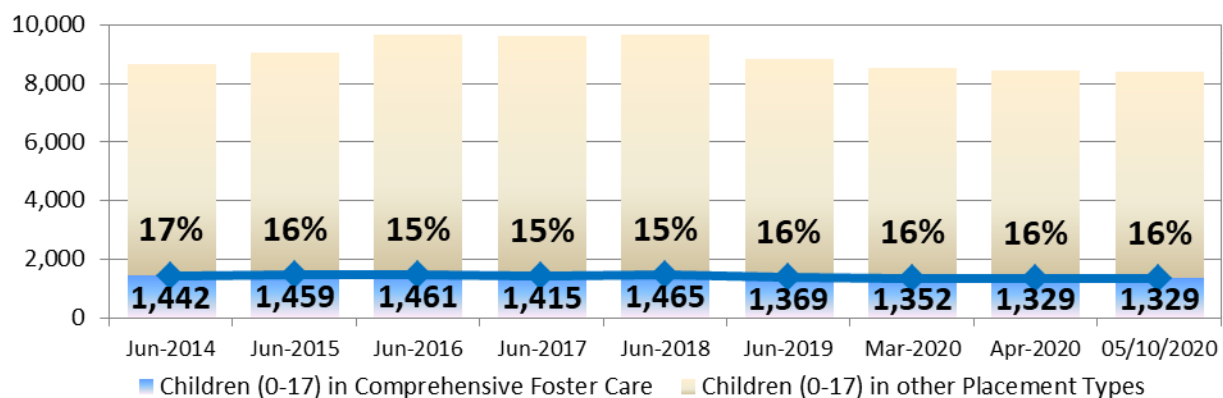


Children (0-17) in Congregate Care as a % of All Placements



- As of 05/10/2020, there were 1,339 children placed in Congregate Care.
- Congregate Care represents 16% of all placement utilization.

Children (0-17) in Comprehensive FC as a % of All Placements



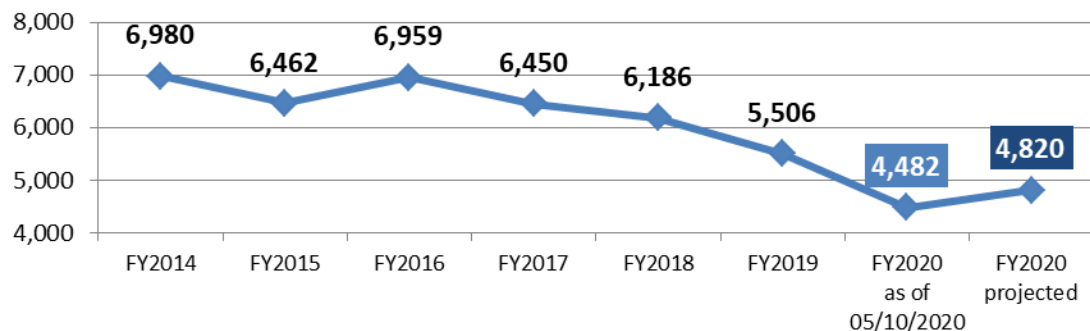
- As of 05/10/2020, there were 1,329 children placed in Comprehensive Foster Care.
- Comprehensive Foster Care represents 16% of all placement utilization.

** These contracted, intensive foster care services are generally provided for children/youth for whom a traditional foster care environment is not suitable or sufficiently supportive.*



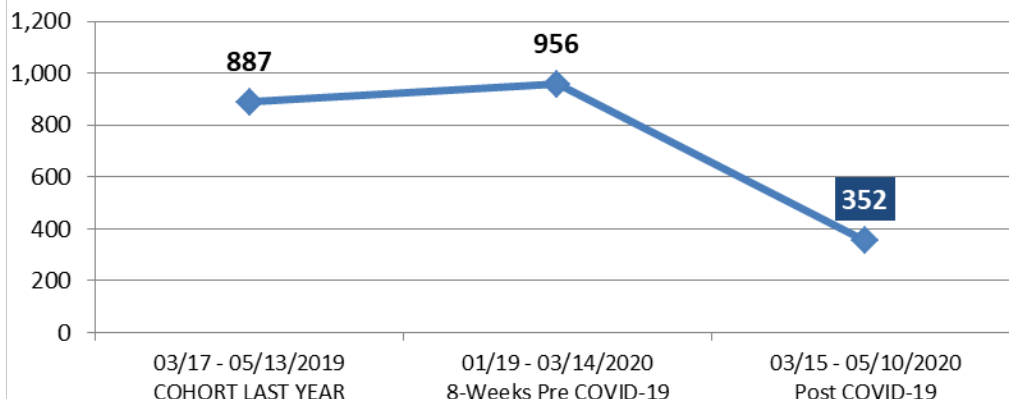
Home Removal Episodes

Home Removal Episodes (HREs)



- Home Removal Episodes (HREs) decreased by 21% (-1,474) between FY14 & FY19.
- FY20 projections through 05/10/20 track toward a 12% decrease over FY19 (includes COVID-19 impact).

Home Removal Episodes (HREs):
Pre vs. Post COVID-19 (8 Week intervals)

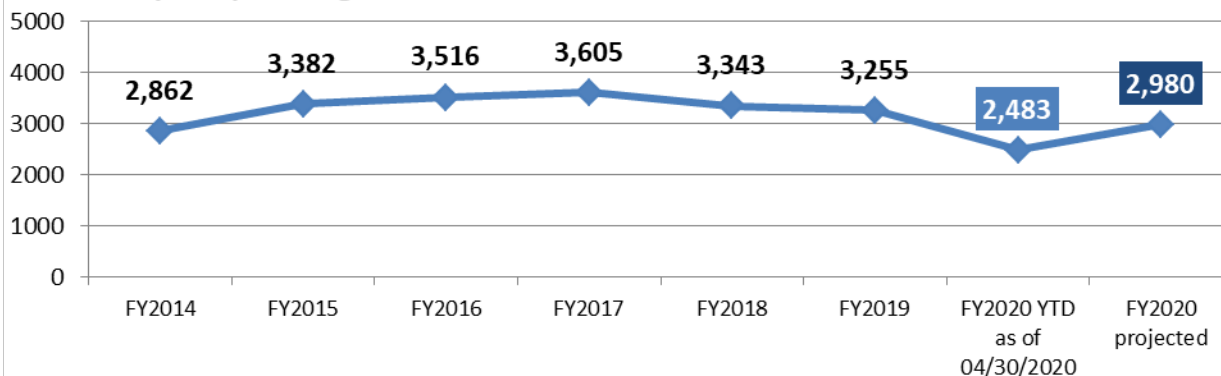


- The impact of COVID-19 on HREs is evident when comparing year-over-year HRE counts for comparable 8-week periods.
- Accounting for seasonal variation, HREs are down 60% (-535) compared to an equivalent 8-week period year-over-year.
- HREs are down 63% (-604) compared to the 8-week period immediately preceding the COVID-19 cohort.



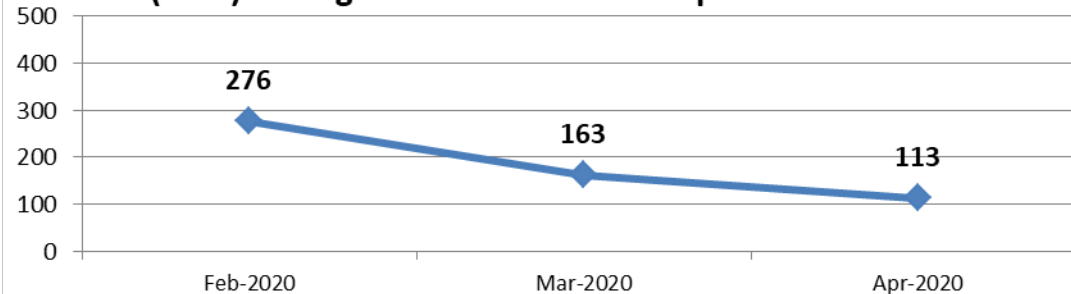
Children Exiting Care to Reunification

Children (0-17) Exiting Care to Reunification



- Tracking with a 13% (-1,210) decrease in placed children since FY17, the number of children exiting placement to reunification has been trending downward.
- Notwithstanding, the relative proportion of reunifications through FY2020 (projection) has remained unchanged.
- FY20 projections through 04/30/20 track toward an 8% decrease over FY19 (includes COVID-19 impact).

Children (0-17) Exiting Care to Reunification per Month



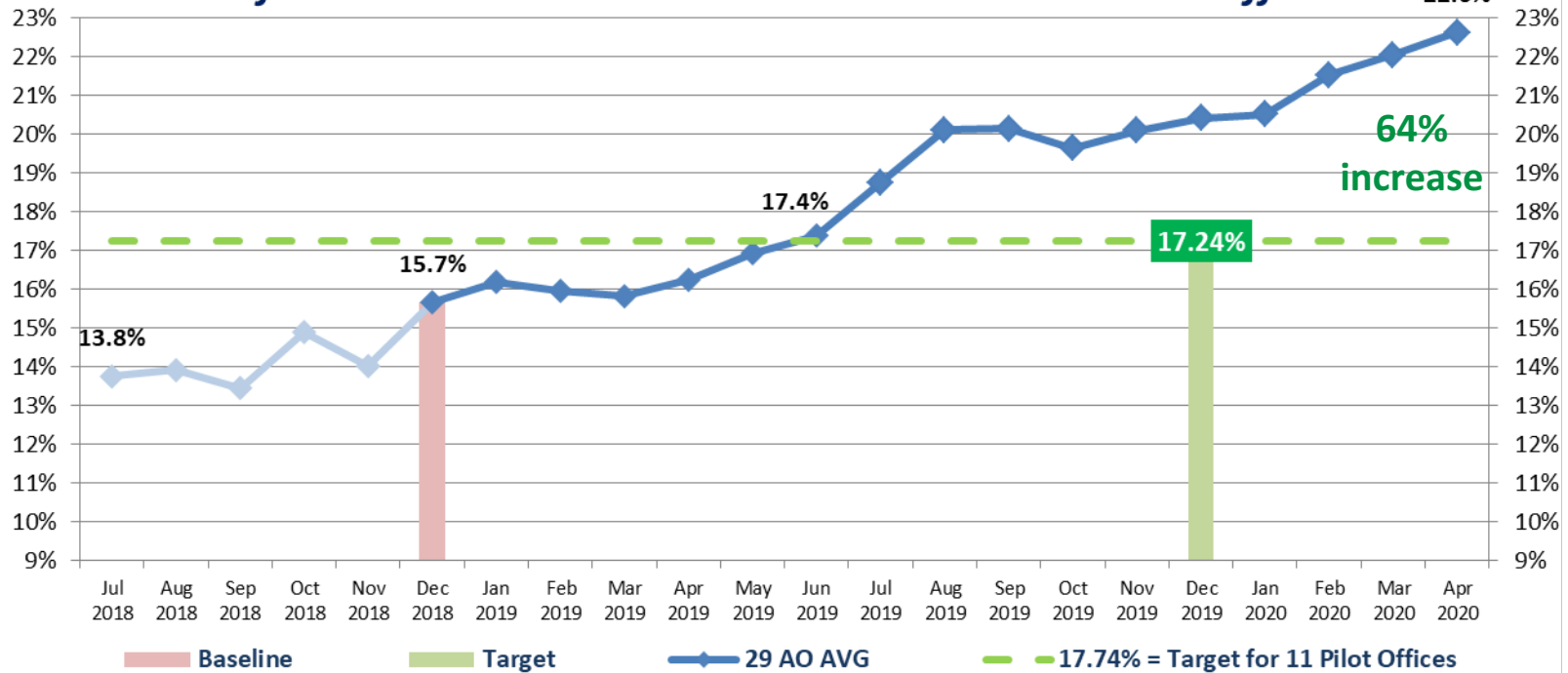
- On average, there were 271 reunification per month in FY19.
- Likely reflecting the impact of COVID-19—compared to Feb-2020—reunifications were down 41% (-113) in Mar-2020 and 59% (-163) in Apr-2020.



Initial Placement with Kin Kin-First



% of Initial Placements Placed with Kin - ALL 29 Area Offices



- Extending the Kin-First metric across all 29 area offices, a 64% increase in kin as the initial placement was evidenced in FY19 and into FY20.
- While no statewide target was established, by Jun-2019 statewide performance exceeded the 17.24% target established for the 11 Pilot Offices.
- NOTE: kin placements account for 39% of ALL out-of-home placements; and 57% of all Departmental Foster Care placements.

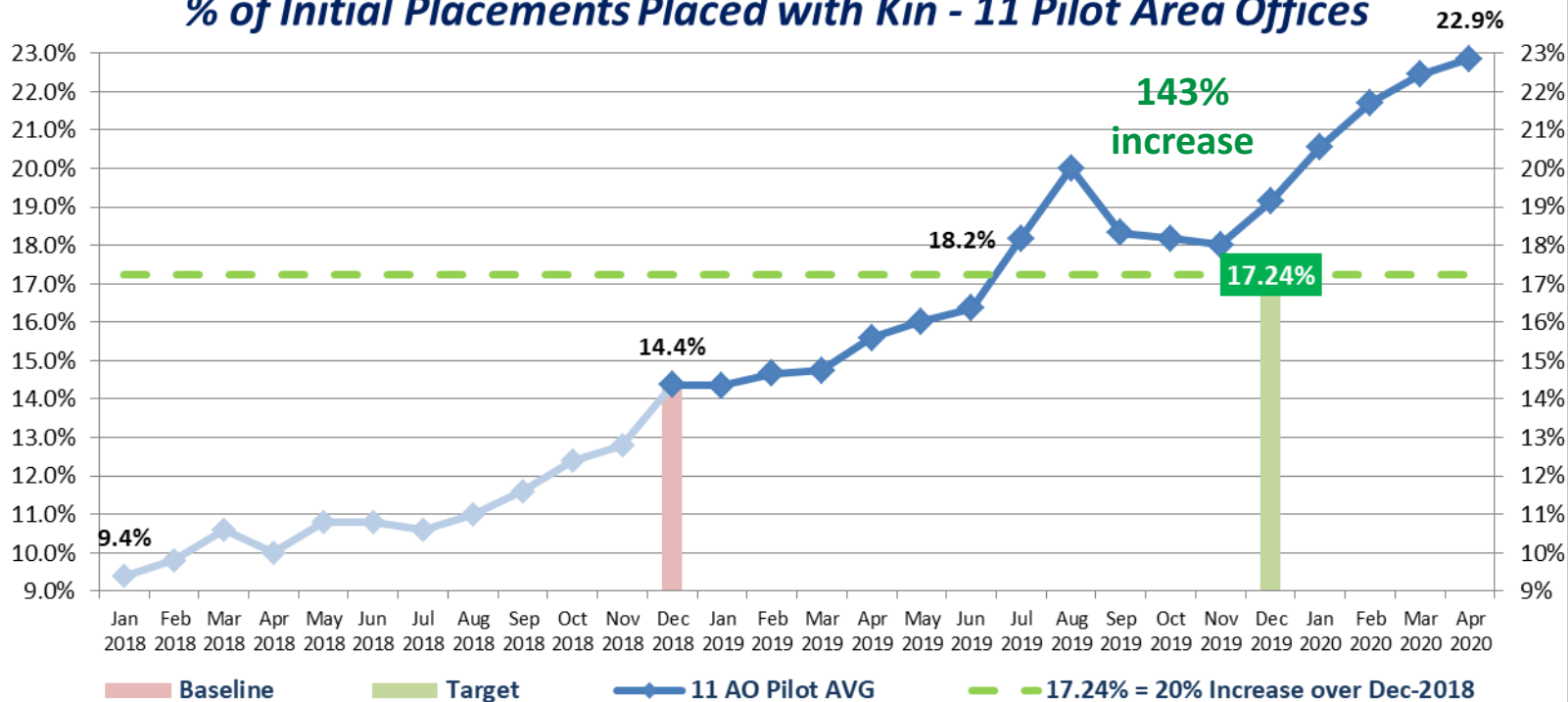


Initial Placement with Kin

Kin-First Pilot



% of Initial Placements Placed with Kin - 11 Pilot Area Offices





Case Closing Trend Pre vs Post COVID-19 Accounting for Seasonality



CASE CLOSING TREND: Pre vs Post COVID-19 (4 week intervals)

